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# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

November 14, 2012

#### **Calendar Items**

Nov 15 Health and Wellness Committee Meeting – 4 PM – SHS room 116

Nov 15 SHS Orchestra Concert

Nov 21-23 No School – Thanksgiving Break

Nov 27 School Board Meeting – <u>agenda will be posted here</u>

Dec 2 Booster Club Arts & Crafts Fair – 10am to 4pm – SHS Arena and North Gym
 Dec 5 Transcript requests due for college applications with a January 1 deadline

Winter sports start in November – check the district calendar or contact the athletic office for specifics.

### A Note from the Editor

It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving is just around the corner – but as my mom used to tell me, time speeds up as you get older – turns out once again, mom was right and another year is flying by even faster than the last one. Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday – no gifts, no agenda, no need to be creative with the menu – just gather together with loved ones, enjoy their company, eat some good food, and think about our blessings. Of course, I'm always thankful for family, friends, health, and all of that. And as I remind you each year in this note, I'm also thankful to live in such a great community. Time and time again I've seen this community come together to support our children and each other in times of need and in times of joy. Thank you to each of you for being part of my community. Happy Thanksgiving!

Debbie Eder SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

### **SHS News & Announcements**

#### **College Financial Aid Night – December 12**

The North Shore Counseling Consortium is sponsoring a College Financial Aid Night. Susan Teerink will be the presenter. She is the Director of the Student Financial Aid Office at Marquette University. She will lead us through and answer questions about the financial aid process. The federal form for financial aid is called the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). All families are encouraged to fill out this form regardless of need since some colleges use it to qualify the student for other aid and/or scholarships. The form cannot be submitted before January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Go to <a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov">http://www.fafsa.ed.gov</a> for the form and more information.

This event is open to all, but is most appropriate for parents of seniors who are about to begin the college financial aid forms, and to parents of juniors who are interested in learning about the process while they and their teens are researching colleges and considering their options for next year. This year, the event will take place on December 12 at 7:00 pm in the SHS auditorium. Parents of all schools in the North Shore Counseling Consortium are invited.

For additional information, see the letter that was mailed home to parents of seniors.

### College Application Information – PARENTS OF SENIORS

Parents of Seniors, you should have recently received a letter from Student Support Services with important information about the college application and financial aid processes. If you missed this letter, you may view it here.

### SHS Ranked One of America's Best High Schools!

Congratulations to all of SHS staff and students – Newsweek has ranked SHS one of the annual top 1000 best high schools. Read more here.

### Volunteer Opportunity - Arts and Crafts Fair - December 2

Adult volunteers are needed for the Arts and Crafts Fair on Sunday December 2 to assist with admissions, bake sale, spirit wear and more. This annual fundraiser supports Shorewood athletics.

- To sign up to volunteer go to: <a href="http://doodle.com/st89pkrtkgdr6qng">http://doodle.com/st89pkrtkgdr6qng</a>.
- For more information or to sign up to donate baked goods contact Mary Jean Fowler at <a href="mjandward@gmail.com">mjandward@gmail.com</a> or 414-750-1730.
- All proceeds to toward SIS and SHS athletic program needs. If you are the parent or guardian of a student athlete and can carve out a couple of hours on Dec 2, we'd love your help! Thanks!

#### Freshman Retreat

The freshmen class attended a Respect Retreat on Tuesday, Nov. 13. This retreat is offered courtesy of <u>Youth Frontiers</u>, a non-profit organization that partners with schools to build positive communities. After attending their 1st and 2nd periods, freshmen reported to the Arena, where the retreat was held for the remainder of the day.

For more information on Youth Frontiers and the retreat experience, click <u>HERE</u>, or watch the video at http://www.shorewoodschools.org/page.cfm?p=3110.

### **Daily Announcements**

<u>Daily Announcements</u> are available on the SHS page of the district website. Recent Announcements include information about:

- Meeting for those interested in girls lacrosse
- Stock Club Speaker at lunch all are welcome
- · Collection for Guest House of Milwaukee. Bins are in the front hall for men's coats and toiletries donations
- String Orchestra lunch rehearsal!
- Clubs, lots and lots of clubs including Forensics, Volunteer Shorewood, Amnesty International, Feminism Maters, Model UN, Outdoors Club, Photo Club, Art Club, Writing Club, Spain Club and more much, much more!

### **Past Bulletins and Documents**

To view past bulletins and related documents – visit the parent association website at www.shsparentassn.com.

### **Bulletin Submissions**

Send your bulletin submissions to <a href="mailto:news.shsparentassn@gmail.com">news.shsparentassn@gmail.com</a> or to <a href="mailto:Debbie@ederfamily.com">Debbie@ederfamily.com</a>. Submissions are due by Monday evening for inclusion in that week's bulletin.

### **District & Community Announcements**

### All Girls Chess Camp - December 14 & 15

All girls, ages 5 to 18 are invited to attend a free All Girls Chess Camp on Dec. 14 and Dec 15 and Glen Hills Middle School. Read more about the chess camp, here.

To register click here.

Did you miss last week's article about Anjana Murali who is planning and organizing the camp – if so read it here.

### **Shorewood High School Keepsake Ornament**

Looking for a great keepsake gift or stocking stuffer? The Shorewood Recreation Department is selling Shorewood High School ornaments. All ornaments are red with white print. Each ornament is only \$5. You may pick your ornament up at either the Recreation Office or Fitness Center. Call the Recreation Department for more information at (414) 963-6913 x 4.

### **Athletic News & Highlights**

For the second time this fall, SHS athletes have brought home a State Championship trophy. Just a few weeks after the boys cross country team won their state meet, the girls swim team has done the same. There were many highlights of the meet, including:

- First Place Finishes:
  - o Kristin Malone 200 freestyle new school record, and new STATE RECORD
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  - o Ellen Stello 500 freestyle
  - o Rachel Munson 100 breaststroke new school record and new STATE RECORD
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and third place finishes by Ellen and Rachel in the 100 Individual Medley, respectively
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishes by all three relay teams; including a new school record by the medley relay team of Melissa Clausen, Rachel Munson, Ellen Stello and Evan Jorn
- An amazing swim by Genevieve Hayes who went from a 15<sup>th</sup> qualifying spot to a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish!
- View all the results on the wiaa website.
- Read more in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
- Read more in Shorewood Patch
- Read about the sectional meet and preparation for the state meet in <u>ShorewoodNOW</u>
- Congratulations Girls on some amazing swims and a great team effort!

#### **Travel Release Form**

Parents of athletes – please remember that student athletes are expected to ride the bus back to school with the team after each away game/meet. Each time that you will be transporting your child on your own, you will need to complete a <u>travel</u> release form. (Some parents like to keep a copy in their cars – in case they forget to have one with them.)

### Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's

### Do you know students, staff, school clubs, etc. who deserve recognition?

Please let us know if you know of an SHS student or staff member or school group who deserves recognition – whether your own child, a friend, neighbor, teacher, coach, mentor, co-worker, etc. We are thrilled to use this space to share student and staff achievements, but we can only do so when someone tells us about them! Send your submissions to <a href="mailto:news.shsparentassn@gmail.com">news.shsparentassn@gmail.com</a>.

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### Risk Behavior Forum – Follow Up

We now have some <u>summary information</u> for those of you that were unable to attend the risk behavior forum. Additional questions should be addressed to Dr. Arthur Anderson in the Student Support Services Office. We also have a <u>list of resources</u> that was provided by our guest speaker, Cathy Pinter.

### **School Board Vacancy**

Michael Mishlove has resigned from the Shorewood School Board. The board is now seeking applicants for the open seat. If you are interested please view this information from the district website.

### **Health and Wellness Committee Meeting – November 15**

The next meeting of the School District's Health and Wellness Committee is Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4:00 pm at Shorewood High School Conference Room 116 in the Administration Building. The committee will be discussing goals for this school year and will be receiving reports from Nutritional Services, Integrated Health and the District Nurse. The committee encourages parents, students and community members that are interested in health and wellness to participate

in this committee. For more information, please contact Deb Stolz, Director of Recreation and Community Services, 963-6913 x4 or DStolz@shorewood.k12.wi.us.

### Save the Date - Shorewood Arts & Crafts Fair - December 2

Sunday, December 2 will be the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Shorewood Arts and Crafts Fair from 10 am to 4 pm. Over 110 artists will offer a wide variety of crafts for the home and garden. This event is sponsored by the Shorewood Booster Club to support Shorewood athletics. It's also a community favorite for a wide variety of items – come do some holiday shopping, or treat yourself, or both! Read much more (including how to receive a discount on the \$4 admission fee) here.

### **Recreation Department - Highlighted Programs**

# Ski and Snowboard Club – Learn to Ski or Snowboard at Sunburst, Vendor Program Grade 4 – 12

Whether you are an experienced skier/snowboarder or have never tried it, this program is for you. Each session includes one hour of lessons with the remaining time for open skiing or snowboarding. Plus each participant who completes the lessons receives a Sunburst Ski Club Membership, allowing them to come back any time after completing the program and ski for the day for a nominal fee. Prices include bus transportation. Minimum number of 15 is required, so sign up early!

All registrations and Sunburst paperwork must be completed no later than Friday, December 11.

Date: Tuesday, January 8 - February 5 (No Program January 29)

Time: 3:30 pm departure from SHS Parking lot - 8:30 pm return to SHS Parking lot

Price is \$190-295 depending upon specific program and equipment rentals.

For additional information contact the recreation department.

### **College Planning**

The SHS Parent Association has recently revised our "Parent to Parent" <u>Guide to the College Search and Application Process</u>. You may view it and other documents on the <u>"college planning" page of our website</u>.

#### **Customize Your School Calendar**

To view/print a customized calendar, <u>follow these directions</u>. This will allow you to view only events for specific schools or specific sports, etc.

### Raise Money for SEED while You Shop Online

- Use <u>GoodSearch.com</u> when doing your online shopping and a money will be donated to the Shorewood SEED Foundation each time you search!
- Use <u>GoodShop.com</u> when you do your online shopping and a percentage of each purchase will go to the Shorewood SEED Foundation
- To get started, register and select Shorewood SEED Foundation as your charity of choice
- View the flyer here.